

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
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**Notice of Public Workshop and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Scoping
Meeting regarding
Development of a Basin Plan Amendment to
Modify Beneficial Uses of and Set Site-Specific Water Quality Objectives for Mercury in
Sulphur Creek**

Staff of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (Central Valley Water Board) will hold a public workshop to discuss the development of a proposed amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins (Basin Plan) to modify beneficial uses of and set site-specific water quality objectives for mercury in Sulphur Creek (Colusa County).

The Central Valley Water Board is the lead agency for the protection of water quality in the Central Valley. The Central Valley Water Board's Basin Plan designates beneficial uses of water, establishes water quality objectives to protect the uses and identifies programs of implementation to meet those water quality objectives. The Central Valley Water Board conducts a formal public process to amend its Basin Plan. Regional Board Members may be in attendance at this workshop; however, no formal actions will be conducted at this workshop.

WHEN: 28 September 2006
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Colusa County Library Conference Room
738 Market Street
Colusa, CA

This workshop will provide participants with: (1) background on Regional Board mandates under the Federal Clean Water Act and the State Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the Basin Plan Amendment process; (2) conditions in the Sulphur Creek watershed; (3) the elements of the proposed Basin Plan amendment; and (4) an opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the environmental documents to be prepared pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the California Environmental Quality Act; and (5) an opportunity to comment on the scope of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan. Comments provided at the workshop will be reviewed and considered prior to Regional Board consideration of the proposed amendment in December 2006. All comments will be included in the final administrative record.

If you need more information about the workshop, you may contact Karen Larsen at (916) 464-4646 or at klarsen@waterboards.ca.gov. The workshop facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Larsen at least five working days prior to the meeting; TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-753-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2992.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.